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After a few feathers get ruffled, council votes to let Duck Dynasty star Jase Robertson hold a charity event at **Budweiser Gardens** 

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# Sattler takes **London West**

**Byelection.** The NDP wins the riding in a byelection landslide



ANGELA MULLINS

London West is no longer a Liberal stronghold. Voters spoke loud and

clear in Thursday's byelection, tapping the NDP's Peggy Sattler as their next representative at Queen's Park.

With 245 of 260 polls reporting, Sattler had 13,410 votes, or 44.1 per cent, taking the lead early and never looking back. Momentum built steadily at her camp as the votes trickled in, with supporters cheering and chanting as Sattler took the stage to declare the victory.

The Progressive Conserva-tives' Ali Chahbar, whom pollsters had tied with Sattler earlier in the day, was second with 9,421 votes (31 per cent).

Liberal Ken Coran and the Green party's Gary Brown rounded out the field with 15.2 per cent and 4.5 per cent, respectively.
London West voters "have

made a choice to elect someone who reflects their values and their aspirations for the future," Sattler said, crediting volunteers who "canvassed where few New Democrats have gone before."

She vowed to strengthen

health care, support workers and, overall, "show people they can be hopeful about politics again."

The win leaves the Ontario NDP in control of two out of four local ridings.

The Liberals now have only one: London North Centre, held by Health Minister Deb Matthews.

London West had been a Liberal riding since 2003, the year former MPP Chris Bentley took office. Bentley, then Ontario's energy minister, resigned in February amid accusations the Liberals cancelled gas plants in Oakville and Mississauga to save votes in the last general election.

Liberal scandals played a big role in the run-up to each of Thursday's five byelections across the province.

All five seats had been Liberal, so the races were seen as a chance to determine if Premier Kathleen Wynne is being judged on her own merit or on controversial issues she inherited from Dalton Mc-

With the majority of polls reporting results, the Liberals looked on track to win two races - Ottawa-South, Mc-Guinty's former riding, and Scarborough-Guildwood.

For more on the Ontario byelections, go to metronews.ca





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# The (almost) great shopping cart caper

#### So much for so little.

Woman accused of stealing, planning to sell carts for scrap



SCOTT TAYLOR

This plan simply wasn't going to get much buck for its bang.

34-year-old London woman is facing five criminal charges after a police search of a Hale Street residence turned up five shopping carts that she was allegedly chopping up with cutting tools, blowtorches and propane tanks.

Police say the carts all came from different businesses and had been rendered useless.

It's believed that Melissa Zombori, who's been charged

The estimated scrap value of allegedly stolen shopping carts.

with five counts of possession of stolen property, was preparing to cash in the steel.

Here's where the plan would've fallen apart, had it been successful.

The type of metal that comes from a traditional shopping cart is only worth eight cents per pound, according to Jim Stevens, office manager of John Zubick Ltd. Scrap Metals. And Stevens was adamant that his company does not accept intact shopping carts without proper documentation stating they are supposed to be destroyed.

Now, we do the math.

According to premiercarts. com, the weight of a traditional metal shopping cart is 43 pounds. So at eight cents per pound, that would mean each cart would be worth about \$3.44 as scrap.

You multiply that by five allegedly stolen carts for a grand total of \$17.20.

That would barely pay for the propane used to power the cutting tools.

Stevens said it's become generally well known that his business won't pay for carts, so fewer people try to roll them in anymore. "We don't accept them because if someone has just picked one up off of the side of the road, some business like Metro or Price Chopper will be out anywhere from \$250 to \$400," he said.

That's the ballpark cost of a new one, he estimated.

Police Const. Ken Steeves said some people use the carts to transport groceries home and then dump them. That's one thing, but taking them home to chop them up is another, he said.

Steeves said the propane tanks and tools found during the search posed a potential danger to Zombori and her neighbours.

### **Redistribution of life**

Erica Soners, 12, of Fort Providence, N.W.T., carries a pot of water along the Thames River on Thursday as indigenous youths from across Canada participate in a Water Walk. The walk was organized as part of a summer program at Western University that's had students learning about water from a variety of cultural and academic perspectives. Thursday's walk saw the youths carry water taken from the Thames about five kilometres from Western's campus to Gibbons Park, where it was put back in the river, representing the redistribution of life. ANGELA MULLINS/METRO

theatre company that pays

"There's absolutely no way the rightful owners of these shopping carts would ever get them back. That's what makes this different than somebody pushing one down the street."

Police Const. Ken Steeves on the alleged plan to sell shopping carts for scrap

#### Pond Mills

#### Library organizing hockey exchange

The Pond Mills Library is once again looking for gently used hockey equipment.

This is the third year the library and supervisor Kevin Moore have asked the public to bring equipment in for an exchange, planned for Aug. 24. During the event, people will be able to take a look at what the library has in stock. Whatever fits their children is free to take away. "We're just trying to make things a bit easier for hockey parents," Moore said. "We know the game is expensive, so we do whatever we can do to help out." **METRO** 

#### Winner: \$5,000 upgrade

#### Londoners asked to 'like' their aem

Have a great spot in London that you'd like to see more people visit?

Check out the London's Favourite Little Gem Contest at neighbourgoodguide.ca, and you could help spread the word.

Through Aug. 31, people can hop on the website, mark what they consider the city's best hidden gems and "like" others.

The gem with the most likes at the end of the contest will earn the neighbourhood a \$5,000 upgrade.

A winner will be announced in the fall. METRO

#### Near Watford

#### Five men seriously injured as tent hits hydro wires

Officials say five men were seriously injured after workers setting up a tent got in contact with a hydro line Thursday near Watford.

Alvinston fire Chief Ron McCabe says two of the five people who were injured had no vital signs when first responders arrived at the scene. McCabe says CPR was performed on the two and they were rushed by air ambulance to a London hospital. McCabe says a company was installing a tent for a weekend wedding at a home on LaSalle Line. THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Western U. Duo launch

#### Everyone's on the payroll at London's newest theatre company - even the Grade 3 student who landed a spot in the first production.

It sounds like a pretty sweet deal for an elementary-school student, and it's exactly what Kevin Milne and Ryan Čole set out to accomplish when they started Paradoxa Theatre Collective this spring. The collective is run entirely by youths with each member of the cast and crew getting an even share of profits from shows.

'Usually in London community theatre, actors are volunteers working from the goodness of their heart or for their own benefit or experi-

- Dream, a play by Paradoxa Theatre Collective, will be staged Aug. 6-17 at the Arts Project.
- Tickets are \$20.
- Check onstagedirect.com for details.

ence, especially the younger crowd, fresh out of university,' said Milne, a recent Western University arts grad.

Dream, written by Milne and Cole, is based loosely on William Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream.

HALEY RITCHIE/FOR METRO

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# Visit from Duck Dynasty ruffles councillor feathers

#### **Unwanted migration.**

Event breaks rules for Gardens use: Councillor



A star of Duck Dynasty is heading for London, and one city politician is in a flap.

Jase Robertson is coming to Budweiser Gardens for Duck Dynasty's Call on Farmtown Canada.

Run by Funny Farm Ministries, a Christian charity helping children, it's one of this year's City of London Days, a chance for non-profits to use the venue.

But Coun. Joni Baechler takes issue with the fact that Funny Farm Ministries isn't from London. It's based in Mapleton. "When Budweiser Gardens was built, it was built with 42 million of taxpayers' dollars, plus we purchased the land. I think that was another \$10 million," she said.

Part of the deal, she said, was for good causes in the city to benefit by getting access five days a year.

"It is for non-profits in London, and if you open it up to everybody we could have individuals from Woodstock, St. Thomas, Stratford or anywhere," Baechler said.

"That's not to say these are not worthy causes, but they're not from London."

Although Baechler spoke up at city council Tuesday, her colleagues agreed to allow the Duck Dynasty event.

The fundraiser takes place on Oct. 12.

#### What the duck?

The reality show Duck Dynasty follows the Robertson family, who became rich due to the success of their company, Duck Commander, which makes duck calls.

 It documents the family's unique approach to wealth, Beverly Hillbilliesstyle. One episode saw them sneak onto a golf course at night to collect frogs to cook and eat.

 Jase Robertson, brother of CEO Willie Robertson, is in charge of manufacturing.



The maestro of meat, a.k.a. the god of the grill, a.k.a. the sultan of sauce, a.k.a. 'Tickle'

This baron of barbecue has come all the way from Bear Creek, Ky., for London's Ribfest. Known only as "Tickle," he'll be showing his stuff at the Kentucky Smokehouse stand in Victoria Park through Monday. MIKE DONACHIE/METRO

# New off-leash dog park coming to south London

The dogs of south London will soon be able to run free — at least for a while — thanks to a new move by the city.

With the southwest side growing in population, councillors have agreed to open a new off-leash area for dogs off Dingman Drive.

"The three existing parks are nowhere near enough to

house the growing demand," said Beth Sayler of the London Dog Owners Association. "The parking lots are constantly full as people cannot walk to a location near them."

The city chose the area near the Dingman Pumping Station in part because it has only two properties next to it.

The park is expected to open

in the fall.  $\mbox{\sc mike}\mbox{\sc donachie/metro}$ 

#### Other off-leash areas

- Pottersburg Park
- Stoney Creek Meadows
- Greenway Park

# West Nile found in local birds, says health unit

The year's first cases of West Nile virus in birds have been discovered in the London area, the Middlesex-London Health Unit says.

One of the birds was found in north London, the other in Dorchester.

Jeremy Hogeveen, the health unit's vector-borne disease co-ordinator, said what makes this year a little different is that the virus was discovered in mosquitoes before birds.

"Usually, the birds are holding the virus and the mosquitoes come and take it from the birds," he said. "Then we notice the positive mosquitoes and eventually the mosquitoes bite people."

Hogeveen said there's little

reason to be alarmed because 80 per cent of people who catch West Nile don't even know they have it, but he does recommend taking precautions.

"Remove standing water and use insect repellent containing DEET and avoid the times like dusk and dawn when mosquitoes are most active," he said. Scott TAYLOR/METRO

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# Cleveland kidnapper gets life in prison plus 1,000 years

'I'm not a monster.
I'm sick'. Ariel Castro
blames sex addiction
for behaviour as court
hears horrific details of
women's confinement

The Cleveland, Ohio, man convicted of holding three women captive in his house for over a

decade and raping them repeatedly was sentenced Thursday to life without parole plus 1,000 years.

Ariel Castro, 53, had pleaded guilty to 937 counts including aggravated murder, kidnapping, rape and assault.

Castro apologized and told the court he's addicted to pornography, but he claimed that most of the sex with the women was consensual.

"These people are trying to

paint me as a monster," he said. "I'm not a monster. I'm sick."

A deal struck with prosecutors Friday spared him from a possible death sentence for beating and starving a pregnant victim until she miscarried.

The women disappeared separately from 2002 to 2004 when they were 14, 16 and 20 years old.

They escaped May 6 when one of them, Amanda Berry, broke out part of the door to

Castro's house and yelled to neighbours for help.

The women described horrific conditions in the home, which Castro turned into a juryrigged prison.

"You took 11 years of my life away, and I have got it back," Michelle Knight told Castro on Thursday. "I spent 11 years in hell. Now your hell is just beginning. I will overcome all this, but you will face hell for eternity." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



# **Brazeau.** Senator broke law filing inappropriate expenses, say RCMP

The RCMP are alleging after a preliminary investigation that Sen. Patrick Brazeau broke the law by filing inappropriate Senate expense claims, according to court documents released Thursday.

RCMP Corp. Greg Horton filed a request for documents in which he alleges Brazeau committed a breach of trust, a criminal offence, in the former Conservative senator's handling of his expense accounts.

Horton said in a sworn affidavit the Mounties' investigation so far shows that Brazeau did not live in a house he claimed as his primary residence in Maniwaki, Que.

Under Senate rules, senators can charge up to \$22,000 a year in taxpayer-funded living expenses for a residence in the Ottawa area if their primary residence is



at least 100 kilometres away.

DRIAN WYLD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

"The investigation has shown that Brazeau does not live in Maniwaki, nor does he own a home there," Horton said. "Brazeau's father resides in Maniwaki, but the senator, since being appointed to the Senate, has not."

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

# Funeral held for Toronto teen shot and killed by police

Mourners of slain teen Sammy Yatim raise their hands as his hearse pulls away following his funeral in Toronto on Thursday. The shooting of Yatim by police Saturday morning has sparked public outrage over police use of force. Donning a T-shirt bearing his photo and the words 9 Shots...? — a reference to the number of shots heard on recorded footage — Yatim's teenage sister urged mourners gathered at her brother's funeral to take action to ensure his death is the last of its kind. "He wasn't the first to die this way but hopefully he can be the last," she said. Frank Gunn/The Canadian PRESS

#### Luka Magnotta case

# Owner of gore website granted bail again

A website owner who is charged over a grisly video at the centre of the Luka Magnotta murder case has been granted bail for the second time.

Mark Marek was arrested just outside Edmonton last week for allegedly breaching his original bail conditions. They include not using the Internet or having a cellphone.

A judge ruled Thursday that Marek be released again on a \$500 cash bond.

The 38-year-old was picked up at a gas station last Friday after police received a tip that led them to an Edmonton-area storage facility.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

#### Quebec

# Search for bodies in Lac-Mégantic comes to an end

The search for bodies is ending in Lac-Mégantic, Que., 26 days after a derailed train slammed into the town and erupted into a wall of flames.

Authorities say they have done everything pos-

sible to find the bodies. The estimated death toll

stands at 47.
As they announced an end to the search Thursday, provincial police said only 42 bodies had been found and five remained missing.

"We feel certainty today that everything that could have been done, was done," said provincial police Lt. Guy Lapointe. "And not only that — (it was) done well."

THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Italy. High court upholds Berlusconi's tax-fraud conviction, sentence

Italy's former premier Silvio Berlusconi was definitively convicted of tax fraud and sentenced to four years in prison Thursday by the nation's highest court.

The tensely awaited decision was described as a historical moment by opposition politicians and puts fresh pressure on Premier Enrico Letta's fragile coalition government. He



needs the support of Berlusconi supporters and his own party to push through reforms to get Italy out of recession, and the ruling

is likely to have a destabilizing impact. The associated press

#### NSA leaker

#### Snowden walks free into Russia

Defying the U.S., Russia granted Edward Snowden temporary asylum on Thursday, allowing the National Security Agency leaker to slip out of the Moscow airport, where he's been holed up for weeks in hopes of evading espionage charges back home.

Snowden now has plenty of room to roam and continue the bizarre journey that has stretched across half the planet – from Hawaii to Hong Kong to the Russian capital.

Russia appears to have reckoned ending Snowden's airport limbo was worth intensifying a political standoff with the U.S. The White House warned the decision could derail an upcoming summit between the countries' leaders.

The move places a significant strain on already corroded relations with Washington. Putin has been increasingly resentful of U.S. criticism and "meddling." The decision gives Russia cover to depict itself as a defender of human rights. Snowden himself made that argument. In a statement from WikiLeaks, Snowden was quoted as saying "over the past eight weeks we have seen the Obama administration show no respect for international or domestic law, but in the end the law is winning." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS





# Anti-gay law to apply at Sochi

Russia. Activism could earn foreigners fines up to 100,000 rubles, 15 days in prison, deportation and denial of re-entry: Minister

Russia will enforce a new law cracking down on gay-rights activism when it hosts the 2014 Olympics in Sochi, the country's sports minister said Thursday, appearing to contradict assurances to the contrary from the International Olympic Committee.

Russia's contentious law was signed by President Vladimir Putin in late June, imposing fines on individuals

accused of spreading "propaganda of nontraditional sexual relations" to minors, and even proposing penalties for those who express these views online or in the news media. Gaypride rallies also are banned.

"An athlete of nontraditional sexual orientation isn't banned from coming to Sochi," Vitaly Mutko said in an interview with R-Sport, a state sports newswire. "But if he goes out into the streets and starts to propagandize, then of course he will be held account-

Mutko emphasized that the law wasn't designed to punish anyone for being gay or lesbian. But, Mutko said, athletes would be punished for propaganda, a word that remains ambiguous under the new law.

Instead of a boycott of the Olympics, athletes have made individual gestures and called for protests, such as a pride parade, to be held during the Games. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

#### Response from Canada

"This mean-spirited and hateful law will affect all Russians 365 days of the year.... It is an incitement to intolerance, which breeds hate. And intolerance and hate breed violence." Foreign Affairs Minister John Baird

# Jamaica. Probe mob killing of cross-dresser: Group

A New York-based humanrights group is calling for Jamaican police to conduct a full investigation into the mob killing of a teenage cross-dresser.

Gay advocates say Dwayne Jones was found dead on July 22 near Montego Bay after being attacked by a crowd while attending a dance party in women's clothing. The 16-yearold was stabbed multiple times and shot once.

Human Rights Watch said Thursday that authorities need to send an "unequivocal message that there will be zero tolerance for violence against lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people."

Justice Minister Mark Golding has condemned the slaying and says police "must spare no effort" in finding the killers.

Jamaican law bans anal sex. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# On a Roll-ing Stone. Boston bomb suspect issue sells big

The issue of Rolling Stone with Boston bombing suspect Dzhokhar Tsarnaev on the cover has sold nearly twice as many copies as an average issue.

That's according to Adweek, which says 13,000 copies were sold from July 19 to 29. Some retailers said they wouldn't sell the issue after a public outcry over the cover, which critics said glamorized Tsarnaev. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS







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#### **PLAYTESTING**

There are three stages to poking the perimeter of a game's rules to see how they can be broken.

**Solo:** The designers take the game for an early spin because "you don't want to expose people to what could end up being a mess."

**2** Group: Once glaringly obvious wrinkles are ironed out, grant your fellow designers critical licence and set them loose on your

**3** Blind: Find some players and hand them the rule-Blind: Find some players book to figure things out.



## **PUBLISHING**

When your blind test earns more applause than furrowed brows, the next step is weighing the pros and cons of publishing vs. self-publishing.

"With self-publishing, you get 100 per cent creative control and 100 per cent of the profits," says Cormier. "But it's an astonishing amount of work. Self-publishing designers often find themselves spending a lot more time marketing than actual designing."

With board game cafés popping up all across the country, it's getting easier to get your game on with people who love them as much as you do

# You can play at this game across the board

### DESIGNING A PROTOTYPE

Cormier warns aspiring designers not to get swept up in the romance of seeing their vision beautifully displayed on

"You could easily end up making dozens of prototypes on your way to a finished product," he says. "So thinking that your idea deserves to be fully rendered immediately can be timeconsuming."

Cormier and partner Sen-Foong Lim's technique is cheap and easy, using widely available clip art for graphics and common objects for

"Prototypes don't get to the point where they're publicly available, so we don't run afoul of any copyright laws."



These people are among the many devotees of Settlers of Catan, a wildly popular strategy board game that's often called a "gateway drug" for people who aren't already into the hobby.

But that can't be right, can it? What are so many plugged-in people, with attention spans supposedly digitally shattered by the age of instant gratification, doing hunched over a table, whiling away the hours on something so ... so ... rustic.

"There's nothing new about people gathering to play board games," says gaming evangelist David Minken. "But it's definitely easier to find them."

The Calgary geophysicist encountered something similar when he was living in Oklahoma.

'My house was by a (Frisbee) golf course, which is something I'd never really heard of," he chuckles. "But because it was so close, I got into it. When I got back to Calgary, I found there were a bunch of courses I had no idea existed. The community was

"The same goes for board games," he adds. "You have the games you like to play and the people you like to play them with."

But that's quickly changing with the massive popularity of board-game cafés across Canada, perhaps none more successful than Toronto's Snakes and Lattes, which has played host to packed rooms and waiting lists since opening in 2010.

"I used to get frustrated with this community," Minken says. "It needs to grow. Video games used to be similar, now they're very mainstream. These cafés are the perfect opportunity."

Inspired by cafés and a weekend spent at Fallcon, an annual confab of Catan settlers and tabletop generals for which he is now an organizer, Minken aims to bring the café experience to Calgary.

"I've ordered modular shelves I can store my games in to create a portable board-game café," he says of his popup-shop brainchild. "So if there's a coffee shop that happens to be slow on a Sunday, we can roll everything in there and set up.

"It's not about making money. If it's seen that way, the community will reject it. Immersive games can require multiple playthroughs with people who know the rules. That's what this

It's not just the gamers who are increasingly rallying together. It's the

Vancouver-based designer Jay Cormier, who creates games with his partner Sen-Foong Lim, is part of the Game Artisans of Canada, a designer/enthusiast group whose members swap prototypes to put rulesets through their paces in an effort to polish nascent games to a publication-

"Anybody who wants to create their own game is going to have a very high bar for what makes a quality board game," Cormier says. "And what most of them find after trying their first design is that they don't meet their own standard of quality."

Game Artisans members have similar standards, Cormier says, providing a collective critical eye detached from the emotional pull designs can have on their creators.

So if success can be found through strength in numbers, board-game culture in Canada is set to thrive.

"The clever thing video games did is build the learning curve into the design," Minken notes. "So by the end you're doing all kinds of things you weren't in the beginning.'

Obviously, board games don't have that luxury. What they do bring to the table — literally and figuratively - is a community happy to walk you through the curve.

Now you know where to find

# Taking it to the next level

These are lists crowd-sourced from a bunch of enthusiasts, with a valuable assist from David Minken. The milestones were a little more dry, so I presented him with scenarios and asked him to offer suggestions. This is what we got back.

#### I played Catan at a friend's house and loved it. What next?

- 1. Ticket to Ride
- 2. Pandemic
- 3. Bohnanza

#### I want a fun party game that won't offend people.

- 1. Dixit.
- 2. Time's Up
- 3. Telestrations

#### want a fun party game that WILL offend people. 1. Cards against Humanity.

- A Question of Scruples

#### 3. Crappy Birthday I used to like playing Risk, but each game is too long.

- 1. El Grande
- 2. Small World
- 3. Risk 2210

#### What are the best card-based games?

- 1.7 Wonders
- 2. Hanabi
- 3. Dominion

#### My kids have aged past Trouble and Sorry. What next?

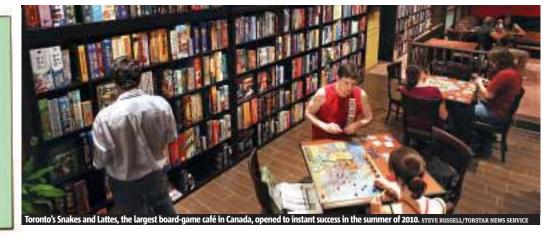
- 1. King of Tokyo
- 2. Forbidden Ísland
- 3. Dexterity games like Animal Upon Animal or Pitch Car

#### What's a good rare or out-ofprint game to browse eBay for?

- 1. Roads and Boats
- 2. Space Hulk
- 3. Gulo Gulo

#### What is the weirdest game you've ever played?

- 1. 1000 Blank Cards
- 2. Tales of the Arabian Night
- 3. Ugg-Tect



# START

It all starts with an idea, of course. "Inspiration can come a number of ways," designer Jay Cormier says. "Sometimes it's a setting. Sometimes it's a mechanic. With Belfort, I was playing a lot of Warcraft II and thought that style would make for a great board game."

Game genesis can even begin with something as simple as a name.

"Obviously, a great title can have a huge impact on a game's success. And if that happens to come first, it can help quide you.

### FINDING A **PUBLISHER**

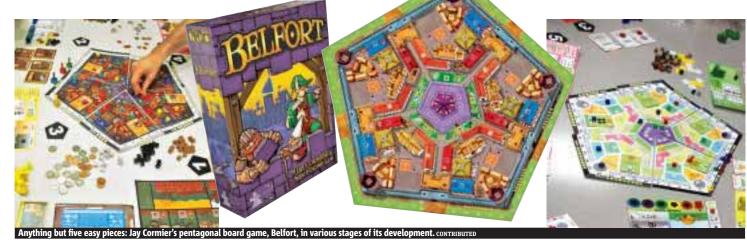
So a publisher it is. Where do they hang out?
"The easiest thing is a cold

call, whether on a publisher's website or with an email," Cormier says.

That does sound easy. 'That's never worked for us."

Oh.

"The best place to pitch is at a convention. Publishers have their people onsite to play games and talk with designers. It's just a matter of registering and showing up with your bag of games and a few elevator pitches."



# How to chute your way up the design ladder

If you've ever rallied your opponents to throw their Monopoly tax bill into the Free Parking pot, or stripped Scotland Yard's Mr. X of his black tickets, you're already on your way to becoming a board-game designer.

"Getting into game design often starts with creating house rules,' says Vancouver-based designer Jay Cormier. "Finding flaws in an existing game and working to improve them.'

Cormier and his partner, Sen-Foong Lim, better known in enthusitabletop as they titles like Belfort and Train of Thought.

Cracking whip on house rules is merely Step 1, though. Step 2 is a little more nebu-

ast circles as the "Ideas for a game can come from Bamboozle Brothers, many places," Cormier says. "With have spent years hunched over their Belfort, I was playing a lot of Warcraft II and I thought that would make a great world for a board game. creations Sending people into the woods to tinkered their way to scoring publishing deals for "Other times you think of a mechanic you'd like to try. Or, 'Wouldn't it

> underwater diving?" Bamboozle The Brothers are both members of the Game

be cool to have a board game about

Artisans of Canada, a gaggle of designers and enthusiasts who work together to hone new ideas into a functional game.

According to Cormier, groups like the Game Artisans are the perfect resource for aspiring designers

Sending your baby to people who are just as critical can really improve a game."

ANDREW FIFIELD/METRO

# **GET FUNDED — HOW TO KICKSTART** YOUR MILLION-DOLLAR IDEA

So you have an amazing idea for the greatest board game in history.

But there's a problem: Getting startup cash. What's the simplest way to get money? Ask people for it. It's time for Kickstarter, the world's most successful crowdfunding website. Like Indiegogo, it offers products, privileges and other thank-yous for a pledged donation.

There's big money in it. Try these figures for size: In 2012, more than \$319 million was pledged to campaigns by more than 2.2 million people. That's more than \$600 a minute. In all, 18,109 projects, from board games to books to movies, hit target.

Sounds like easy money, right? Wrong.

Luca Vince Caltabiano, of Montreal, is the creator of Carmarace, this week's leading Canadian tabletop game on Kickstarter. With 22 days to go, it's about halfway to its \$23,000 target for production costs.

"It's a board game for one to six players and everybody's playing hitchhikers trying to get to a convention," explains Caltabiano. It's cardbased and includes bikes, planes and trains, cop chases, and old ladies in the road.

Caltabiano's been hyping his game like crazy, posting on every online meeting place he can think of. It's eating a lot of his time.

"I have a newfound respect for everybody who does Kickstarter," he says. "Just setting up the campaign took about a week and the (promo) video took 80 hours to produce.

But now he just needs to hit his target. That should be easy, right? Wrong again.

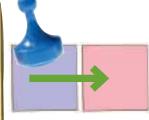
Plenty of crowdfunding projects just don't go anywhere. AppsBlogger.com has estimated about half of all projects don't reach their targets.

Then there are the successful failures, like The Doom that Came to Atlantic City, a board game about an invasion of monsters.

It raised more than four times its \$35,000 goal. More than 1,200 people pledged more than \$122,000 in total. But last week its Portland, Ore., creators pulled the plug, citing inexperience, technical problems and ego clashes. The "hope" is to refund everyone fully. Lots of people are angry.

But when Kickstarter's good, it's very good. Bones was a project by Reaper Miniatures of Denton, Texas, offering miniature figures for role-playing games. It had a target of \$30,000 but closed in August 2012 after raising \$3,429,235 from more than 17,000 people.

The millions are there. All you need is an idea. MIKE DONACHIE/METRO



### CONTRACT **NEGOTIATIONS** Congratulations! All your hard work and

convention hustle has paid off. Now it's time to get down to brass tacks and carve out your piece of the pie. You would be wise not to overlook an area that's recently become hugely important, courtesy of what's likely in your pocket right now.

'One thing that's getting more important is digital rights, especially apps," says Cormier. "We're working with (German publisher) Queen and we negotiated hard for the digital rights, because this game is particularly suited for an app."



# FINISH

Enjoy the riches! Well, not quite. There are certainly success stories to be found, but many designers are hobbyists holding down day jobs to keep the wolf from the door — which isn't a bad title for a game.

The only way to make game design an occupation is to either have a bunch of games out there or score with something evergreen," says Cormier. "A game like Settlers of Catan or Pandemic that somebody, somewhere is always buying."

But Belfort is holding its own. Cormier and Lim have deals in Germany and Poland, a third printing has been released in North America, and a Kickstarter-funded expansion is on the



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# **Calgary. TransCanada** says it's going ahead with Energy East pipeline

TransCanada Corp. is moving ahead with a \$12-billion plan to ship western oil to the East Coast — the largest project in the company's history and one it compares to the Canadian Pacific Railway in economic impact for the country and trade benefits overseas.

The Calgary-based company said it has enough support from customers to forge ahead with its Energy East pipeline, which would deliver up to 1.1 million barrels per day to points in Quebec in late 2017 and New Brunswick a year later.

regulatory hurdles, has the support of the Alberta and New Brunswick governments, but it's not clear whether Quebec has been won over.

Critics have already vowed to fight the project, which they describe as unsafe and unlikely to deliver on job creation and energy-security promises. It's that kind of opposition that has, in part, led to repeated delays for another high-profile TransCanada project, the Keystone XL pipeline in the U.S.



## Publishing. U.S. army stores drop skin mags over poor sales

Energy East is "truly a nation-building project that will diversify our economy and

ie new jobs here in Alberta and across the country." THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

Playboy, Penthouse and other sex-themed magazines will no longer be sold at U.S. army and air-force exchanges - a move described by the stores' operators as a business decision based on falling sales, and not a result of recent pressure from

magazines being dropped are among a total of 891 periodicals that will no longer be offered by the Army and Air Force Exchange Service at its stores on U.S. military bases worldwide. Other titles getting the axe include English Garden, Sponge-Bob Comics, the New York Review of Books and the Saturday

Chris Ward, a spokesman for the Army and Air Force Exchange Service, said the move would reduce space allotted to magazines by 33 per cent and free up room for more popular products. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# In Vancouver, boycott of Russian vodka takes a twist

**Global action.** The drink is being targeted due to Russia's anti-LGBT laws but should a pro-gay brand get an exception?



JACKSON

It's being poured down bar sinks around the world to protest Russia's draconian laws against the LGBT community, but Stolichnaya vodka will be served at the Kinky Pride Party in Vancouver on Sunday night, after the city's Pride parade.

Event organizer Reive Doig of the Noir Fetish Ball was supportive when he first heard of the boycott, originally proposed by American columnist Dan Savage to pressure Russia to change its "gay propaganda" legislation before the 2014 Sochi Olympics.

But when Doig read about Stoli's support of the LGBT community in places such as South

"Stoli has worked with the gay community. They're trying to make a difference where they can and it just seems wrong to me. They deserve not to be tarred with the same brush."

Reive Doig, an organizer of Vancouver's Noir Fetish Ball

Africa, he decided the boycott unfairly hurt a company trying to help. "Stoli has worked with the gay community. They're trying to make a difference where they can and it just seems wrong to me," he said. "They deserve not to be tarred with the same brush.'

In response to the boycott, Stoli's parent company SPI Group issued a statement pledging its "fervent" support of the LGBT community and calling the Russian government's actions "dreadful.

"I want to stress that Stoli firmly opposes such attitude and actions," CEO Val Mende-



An empty space on a liquor shelf where Russian vodka used to be. Many ga bars across North America have joined a campaign to stop selling Russi vodka due to anti-gay laws in Russia, but not everyone in the LGBT community agrees with the boycott. SCOTT EISEN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

leev said.

Some Russian LGBT members have told news outlets such as Gay Star News that there is "no point" to the ban.

But many, including Vancouver Coun. Tim Stevenson, support the boycott as a symbolic first step to demand acceptance of the LGBT community from the Russian government. "Vodka obviously is hugely symbolic," Stevenson said. "Hope-

fully, it starts at vodka and then moves on to other products."

The organizer's decision to serve Stoli is "naive" and lacks understanding of boycotts, Stevenson said. He pointed to the initial reluctance to boycott South African products during apartheid because restrictions hurt people across the board, but said boycotts are the most effective way to bring economic

Evening Post.

anti-pornography activists. The 48 "adult sophisticate"

#### Battle of idols

#### U.K. halts export of Austen ring bought by Kelly Clarkson

The British government has stepped in to stop singer Kelly Clarkson from taking a ring once owned by author Jane Austen out of the country.

The American Idol winner bought the gold-andturquoise ring at auction last year for about \$235,000.



But on Thursday, Culture Minister Ed Vaizey put an export bar on the item until Sept. 30 in the

hope that a British buyer will come forward. He said Austen's modest lifestyle and early death at 41 "mean that objects associated with her of any kind are extremely rare.'

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#### Montevideo

#### **Uruguay moves** closer to legalizing pot industry

Uruguay's unprecedented plan to put the government at the centre of a legal marijuana industry has made it halfway through congress, giving President Jose Mujica a long-sought victory in his effort to explore alternatives to the global war on drugs. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

#### **Market Minute**





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# ESPIONAGE OK, BUT CAN'T BE GAY

Apocalypse sooner than you think. Researchers from the University of Victoria figure a runaway greenhouse effect will cause the Earth's oceans to boil a lot sooner than expected — as early as half a billion years from now instead of the originally projected 1.1 billion. Before you get lulled into a false sense of complacency, another study says 1,700 U.S. coastal cities will be under water by 2100. Cancel my calls!

A gift for his adoring fans. Justin Bieber was let loose in Toronto this week and took some time out to allegedly spit on his fans. That is, there are photos of him spitting from his hotel balcony, photos of the adoring fans down below, but no money

shot. For the record: Bieber's spokesperson denies he spit on anyone on that day. Job of the week: Justin Bieber's spokes-



**Paul Sullivan** 

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And in other news, Justin. The leader of the Liberal Party of Canada, Justin Trudeau, decides it's time to call for the legalization of marijuana. Is this a calculated gamble to appeal to a younger generation of voters? At least he didn't spit on anyone. Expecta-

What a guy. As far as Pope Francis is con-4 What a guy. As far as rope frames as cerned, it's OK to be gay ("Who am I to judge?"). But there's a catch: You can't actually have gay sex. Ever. Just in case you had any ideas. And while we're at it, no female priests either. You can only take this "progressive" stuff so far, and we're all the way up to the 18th century now.

tions are getting pretty low out there.

From Russia; where's the love? After spending a month in the Moscow airport, Edward Snowden, the guy who revealed that the U.S. National Security Agency monitors everything, all the time, was

granted temporary asylum by the Russians. Good thing he's not gay — the homophobic state would have put him in jail for a real crime.

**Hey there, Georgie Boy.** Despite all of the above, the newest heir to the British throne, George Alexander Louis, is now almost two weeks old. But it's not likely he'll ever wear the crown. Grandfather Charles is next up, then father William, but the way QE2 is going, she'll outlive them

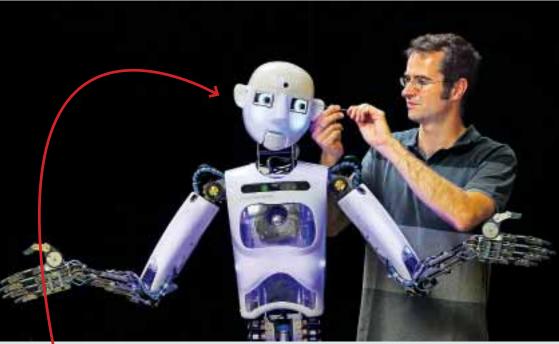
Fortuitous book launch. If you think dating is difficult, try this one on for size. In an effort to find the woman of his dreams, a man from Australia wrote a 99-page dating guide called The Cock Manifesto. Despite the title, it's not just a phallic reference, but includes everything from his dislike for "players," to explicit requests for photos of the potential girlfriend's nether regions. Carlos Danger, a.k.a. Anthony Weiner, may have met Follow The Metro List on

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### ZOOM

# Sorry, I'm afraid I can't hear that



MATT CARDY/GETTY IMAGES

#### Meet the android that imitates us

An engineer provides the final touches to a nearly completed RoboThespian robot at the Engineered Arts factory in the town of Penryn, England. The firm is the world's only maker of commercially available lifesized humanoid robots. The interactive android is sold worldwide to visitor

attractions and universities.

The company dismissed concerns about its humanoid robots setting out to destroy humans as in I, Robot, the book by Isaac Asimov and the movie starring Will Smith. "Our robots are for entertainment; they don't desire to take over the world," said Gill Spencer, administrator at Engineered

#### Company's viewpoint

"The robot is designed to imitate our movements and expressions. And it's multilingual, too. fluent in more than 20 languages. People are fascinated by them."

Gill Spencer, administrator at Engineered

#### Cost and uses of bot

- \$83,600 US is how much one RoboThespian android costs, and it's for sale to the public.
- RoboThespian (meaning "robot actor") is used in live stage shows popular in South





**ANDREW FIFIELD** 

In honour of today's board games feature, we're going to give a little love to board games that have gone on to second lives as mobile apps.

#### **Ticket to Ride**

Outwit and stymie your opponents as everyone rushes to claim train routes across North America. Drawing route cards adds a nice risk-reward component to the game, but nothing is as fun as derailing the best-laid plans of your opponents. (iPad/\$6.99)

#### Agricola

Best described as a mix between farming and family planning, Agricola removes the luck typically sociated with board games and instead forces you to rely purely on strategy. Learning the ropes can be a little dense, but it's the game's depth that rewards the players. (iOS/\$6.99)



Take on the role of either master criminal Mr. X or the detectives tasked with chasing him through London. The board game has achieved well-deserved cult status, but the lousy AI can sometimes hold the digital version back. (iOS/\$5.99)

RE: Feds To Spend Less On Science, Tech, Finds Statistics Canada, published online July 30

The better debate is whether or not the government should spend taxpayers' money on innovation initiatives.

The government is less prudent with every dollar spent than the private sector because the government inherently assumes less risk. Failed government initiatives decrease taxpayers' standard of living because they indirectly pick up the bill.

Besides, the companies that

receive science and technology funds are based on arbitrary criteria set by policy makers.

This gives an unfair competitive advantage to certain companies in the industry. The better solution is to tax science and technology companies less rather than redistributing dollars after the fact, which is not very efficient, or provide better tax credits. Both are indiscriminate

It is best that the government get out of the innovation business before they find themselves in a gassy scandal.

Wojciech Kapera Scarborough, Ont.

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# I

#### **Synopsis**

This weekend Denzel Washington and Mark Wahlberg team up in the action comedy 2 Guns. They play a DEA agent and an undercover Naval Intelligence officer, respectively, on the run after an investigation into a drug cartel goes wrong. It's the first time the two superstars have appeared together on-screen, but both have played characters like this in the past. This week the Reel Guys are rifling through their Blu Rays, DVDs, Laser-Discs and video cassettes to uncover the best and perhaps lesser known work of the actors we like to call Washingberg.



Reel Guys

### RICHARD CROUSE AND MARK BRESLIN



# We love Washingberg

Roles review. With 2 Guns hitting theatres this weekend, the Reel Guys remember their fave Denzel and Marky Mark movies

Richard: Mark, Washington has played his share of attorneys and policemen over the years, but he has never been afraid to try new things, as he did in 1993's Much Ado About Nothing. In this all-star adaptation of Shakespeare's most famous romantic comedy, he plays the powerful Don Pedro of Aragon. The movie took hits for its miscasting of Keanu Reeves and Michael Keaton in key roles, but

Washington was praised for his work. Do you have a favourite Denzel performance?

Mark: Richard, where to start? I've never seen a bad Denzel performance. Never. It's one thing to make Shakespeare come alive onscreen, but he can even make a turkey like The Book of Eli worth watching. Was he fantastic as Malcolm X? Yes. As the private eye in Devil In A Blue Dress? Of course. How about the plotless Flight from last year? He's the whole movie. A thriller like The Taking of Pelham 1-2-3? Nobody plays ordinary like this extraordinary actor. But if you're forcing me to name my favourite Denzel role, it would have to be as the crooked cop in Training Day. I just love it when good

guys play bad.

RC: He's not afraid to explore the dark side of his characters and it is not a guarantee that he will be alive by the time the end credits roll. That's a comment on an actor who brings some much welcome moral ambiguity to his roles. Similarly Wahlberg is an actor who likes to shake things up. In the last calendar year we've seen him do outrageous comedy in Ted, playing stupid in Pain and Gain and a revenge happy ex-cop in Broken City. Like Washington, the only thing that connects all the performances is the actor's charisma.

MB: Y-y-y-yes, but you can't quite put them in the same league. I thought Wahlberg

was excellent in his last two movies, Pain and Gain, and the underrated Broken City. He was OK in Ted, but really, it's weird for an actor to get upstaged by a teddy bear. If I'm looking for a definitive Wahlberg performance, it would have to be his work in The Departed.

RC: The Departed is great and may be his best performance to date if only because he rivals Samuel L. Jackson's ability with swear words in almost every sentence.

MB: And back to Pain and Gain. A director should make his actors look good, but it's to Wahlberg's credit that he makes his director, Michael Bay, look good. No small achievement.

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#### 2 Guns

Director. Baltasar Kormakur

Stars. Denzel Washington, Mark Wahlberg

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2 Guns, a new action comedy, is what's called a refrigerator movie. It seems to add up while you're watching it, but later, when you're at home in front of the fridge looking for a snack and thinking back, you realize that it didn't make any sense. Not that it matters when you have Denzel Washington and Mark Wahlberg as a DEA agent and an undercover Naval Intelligence officer on the run after an investigation into a drug cartel goes wrong. They have charisma to burn and good chemistry.

RICHARD CROUSE

#### Hollywood news

Tara Reid may return for Sharknado sequel

While TMZ reported Tara Reid's latest career boost was short-lived and she would not reprise her recent role, producers for Sharknado 2 are saying they would welcome her back. Syfy's campy made-for-TV flick, which starred 90210 alum Ian Ziering as a bar owner/surfer with prowess over the ocean tornado beasts, blew other shark films out of the water (pun intended) when it premiered last

Reid played Ziering's estranged wife in the film.





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## Bieber won't see hit-and-run charges

Finally, some good legal news for Justin Bieber.

The Los Angeles district attorney's office has decided not to file hit-and-run charges against the singer in connection to an alleged run-in with a photographer last month, stating that there is no way to prove Bieber fled the scene intentionally, according to El News.

"The Ferrari's engine is loud. The impact was minor and, given the chaotic scene and stress of the situation, it is likely that Bieber did not know he had hit (the photographer)," a spokesperson for the department says.

# METRO DISH

OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

#### The Word

### Remember that episode when Stephanie Tanner did meth? Well, it's a two-parter

THE WORD

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How rude! That's probably what Jodi Sweetin (a.k.a. Stephanie Tanner) is saying to all the nosy journos going around writing that she's in rehab again. If you didn't know, former child stars try to use their characters' key catchphrases as often as possible — it helps people



to remember that they were once pretty famous and that the mess they've since made of their adult lives is whatever.

Jokes aside, the story of Sweetin's life post-Full House actually is a sad one. While the Olsen twins went on to rule the world from behind hundreds of layers of draped clothing and giant Starbucks cups, and Candace Cameron went on to find God, Sweetin (formerly the most adorable cast member of Full House and that includes Uncle Jesse) went on to become a meth addict and a three-time divorcée. But she cleaned up her act, admirably, and seemed to be on the right track, working as a counsellor at a rehab facility.

Which is why it really is pretty rude that she's now battling rumours (she's claiming they are 100 per cent unfounded) that she, herself, is back on meth and back in rehab. Give the girl a break, you guys — the only cast member who fared worse after Full House called it quits is Uncle Joey. That guy was the worst.



# You and me baby ain't nothing but mammals ... so answer the question

Harry Styles reveals some startling details about his sexual history in a candid interview with the British edition of GQ magazine, buckling under the interviewer's questions about how many people the One Direction star has slept with.

"It's definitely less than 100," Styles offers. "I'm not doing this! You're cornering But he finally gives in, offering these details.

"Two people. I've only ever had sex with two people. That's my answer. Read from it what you will."

And if that's not enough candor for one day, Styles addresses rumours that he's bisexual.

"Bisexual? Me? I don't think so," he says. "I'm pretty sure I'm not."

### Rehab centre recommends therapy for Lohan

Lindsay Lohan may have finished her 90-day stay in rehab, but her recent hosts don't think she's quite done yet.

The board of the Cliffside Malibu Treatment Center have written a letter to the judge overseeing Lohan's case stating that she requires court-ordered therapy as well, according to TMZ.

"We feel that it is critical that Ms. Lohan have court-

ordered therapy, specifically three 50-minute sessions a week for the next 18 months," the letter reads.

"Our entire clinical team is in unanimous agreement that if these sessions are not required by the court and attendance not verified once a month to ensure accountability, it is a setup for almost certain failure."

Lohan was released earlier this week.



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# Modern port revolution



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When I mentioned port last week, I got to thinking how the boozy wonder has been pigeonholed as a cold weather, after dinner bevy. While the majority of port styles are just too heavy for summer, there are two versions that meet the heat head-on.

White port is produced by most houses. Made to be chilled, it runs the flavour profiles of dry to sweet. The sweeter versions are the base of a popular summer mixer in Portugal's region of Porto.

Trouble is, port being white is so foreign to Canadians that you'll have trouble finding one at your local liquor store.

Croft has been fortifying juice since 1588. You'd think that would make it one of the stodgiest, old school wine makers in Portugal. Nope. It's led the modern port revolution: inject some fun and versatility into the category.

The rosé-esque Croft Pink Port (\$16.55 - \$19.99) is more at home in an ice bucket than at a snooty

men's club. Layered with berry goodness, it's the foundation of more than a dozen refreshing cocktails that can all be found at croftpink. com. PRICES REFLECT THE RANGE ACROSS THE COUNTRY. SOME PRODUCTS MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE IN ALL PROVINCES.



# It's more than maple syrup and back bacon

Food Day Canada. Support local farmers this long weekend

It's been a decade since food crusader Anita Stewart encouraged Canadians to support farmers in the wake of the mad cow crisis threatening their livelihood by launching the World's Longest Barbecue.

Stewart's event has morphed into Food Day Canada, a day in which chefs and home cooks across the country can applaud Canada's bounty.

Not only are people encouraged to create their own spread from produce purchased at farmers markets, but they are also able to dine at any of the about 275 restaurants from across the country that are par-

ticipating this Saturday with menus featuring uniquely Canadian ingredients.

Stewart hopes people will post their menus and describe their plans at fooddaycanada. ca. There are plenty of recipes there too for inspiration.

An interactive map includes the locations of farmers markets and Food Day restaurants across the country "so it should be a guide of how to eat Canadian," she explains. The idea is "you can go and buy your good stuff here and here are the restaurants where you too can go and eat."

Here, Stewart shares her recipe for Pavlova, which features fresh local fruit.

1. Lightly butter baking sheet and line with parchment. Beat egg whites till stiff enough to hold soft peaks. Slowly beat in the sugar, few spoonfuls at a time. This will take 2 to 3 minutes. The resulting meringue will be shiny and soft. Sift the cornstarch over it and lightly fold it in with the vinegar.

**2.** Drop meringue onto centre of the prepared pan. With a spatula spread it to an 8-inch (20 cm) circle, smoothing the top and the sides. Bake in a preheated 250 F (120 C) oven for 1 hour and 20 minutes. Remove from the oven and allow to cool on the pan. Store in an airtight container or use immediately.

**3.** To fill, whip the cream with the sugar until stiff. Invert the Pavlova onto a serving dish. The smooth bottom becomes the top of the dessert. Spoon

#### Ingredients

- 4 egg whites, at room temperature
- 1 cup (250 ml) superfine sugar
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) cornstarch • 2 tsps (10 ml) white vinegar
- 2 tsps (10 ml) white vinegar
   Filling
- 1 cup (250 ml) heavy cream 35%
- 2 tsps (10 ml) superfine sugar
- 2 (sps (10 m)) superfine suga • Fresh fruit, as needed
- Bergamot blossoms as garnish (optional)

the whipped cream over the entire surface. Arrange the fresh fruit on top. Serve immediately. THE CANADIAN PRESS/ RECIPE ADAPTED FROM ANITA STEWART'S CANADA: THE FOOD, THE RECIPES, THE STORIES (HARPER COLLINS CANADA)

# The best of Alberta in braised ribs

- 1. Into saucepan with high sides, heat wine over med heat. Using long match, set fumes at edge of pan alight (immediately step back and avert face). Let flames die then increase heat so wine boils. Let cook down by half. Remove from heat.
- 2. Centre rack in oven and heat to 350 F. Place pappadum on oven rack and bake until bubbles appear on surface and papadum starts to brown, 5 mins. Remove from oven; set aside.
- **3.** In dutch oven big enough to
- hold 6 ribs, heat oil over medhigh heat. Season ribs with salt and pepper. When oil is hot, slip ribs into dutch oven and sear 5 mins. on each side. Move to plate. Remove all but 15 ml (1 tbsp) of fat from dutch oven.
- **4.** Chop carrots, celery and leek into 2.5-cm (1-inch) pieces. Reduce heat to med and toss in veg and herbs. Brown veggies 7 mins., then stir in tomato paste and cook 1 min. to blend.
- **5.** Deglaze with wine, stirring up browned bits, and add ribs

and stock to dutch oven. Bring to boil. Cover it tightly and slide into oven to braise 2 1/2 hours or until ribs tender enough to be pierced with a fork. Every 30 minutes or so, lift lid, skim and discard whatever fat may have bubbled to surface.

**6.** Transfer meat to heated serving platter with lip and keep warm. Boil pan liquid until it thickens and reduces to about 1 (4 cups). Season with salt and white pepper and pass through a fine-mesh strainer into a bowl. Discard solids.

#### Ingredients

- 1 bottle merlot
- 3 pieces pappadum
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) vegetable oil • 1 kg (2 lb) short ribs, trimmed
- Sea salt, to taste
- 7 ml (1 1/2 tsp) black peppercorns, crushed
- 2 carrots
- 2 celery stalks

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- 10 garlic cloves, crushed
- 8 shallots, trimmed and split
- 6 sprigs Italian parsley2 sprigs fresh thyme
- 2 bay leaves
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) tomato paste
- 2 l (8 cups) beef stock, unsaltedGround white pepper, to taste
- **7.** Serve with mashed potatoes and seasonal vegetables. Drizzle sauce over meat. Garnish

with pappadum. The Canadian Press/Eat Pray Love: Regionally inspired cuisine by rocky mountaineer

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# Breaking down the bubbly barriers

**Champagne.** It's not just for special occasions anymore

#### T. MICHELLE MURPHY

Metro World News in New York City

Sure, we're used to popping corks at times of celebration, such as weddings or New Year's Eve. We might even open a bottle of bubbly for some sparkling mimosas to mark the start of our long-awaited weekend.

But Elise Losfelt, one of only 10 specially trained winemakers for Moet & Chandon, explains why Champagne is meant to be a part of our every-day lives — and how to incorporate it into this summer's favorite mealtime staples.

The first way to break down barriers with Champagne is to familiarize with non-vintages, like a white or rosé. With these, all you need to do is get to know one house's flavour profile. Once you've discovered what you like, it's easy to pair that taste with your favourite foods.

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For beginners, a non-vintage is "easy to understand and easy to drink," Losfelt says.

An underrated flavour is rosé, though it's an ideal gateway into the Champagne world. And it's surprisingly simple to pair with summer standards, such as grilled and spicy foods. "Burgers, fries and tacos," Losfelt confesses, when asked about ideal pairings for rosé. "It has more power to answer to food; you can dare to play with it."

Despite Champagne's complex tasting notes, salt is one basic flavour that it doesn't naturally re-create. By adding it back to the mix, even with a commonplace salty food pairing, like potatoes, Losfelt says, "You're just enhancing all the flavours of Champagne."

When taking a bottle to your next summer cookout, consider serving non-vintage Champagne alongside a rich barbecue sauce — just as long as it's not too sweet. This sparkling wine has low sugar content, with about nine grams of sugar per litre, so you don't want to make its subtle flavour compete with added sweetness

#### Champagne pillars

You don't have to be a wine snob to talk about what you like in fine Champagne. The three pillars to touch upon when discussing its characteristics are the intensity of the aroma, the colour and the structure. Losfelt says to look for:

- Bright fruitiness
- Acidic palate
- Maturity

in your food. On that note: Skip the cake and strawberries, since choosing these sweet and acidic pairings is a novice mistake.

Serve a pink sparkling wine with your everyday picnic fare for an unexpected treat "if you want to shake your guests and show them what rose is capable of." Plus, it's a good alternative to calorie-laden cocktails for guests who want more of a guilt-free indulgence.

Once you have an idea of what you like in Champagne,

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you can upgrade to vintage. A vintage offers "gastronomical power and aging potential, says Losfelt. With vintages, you're looking for a specific year that you like. Each year is a unique taste that's only replicated under the banner of that one annual time stamp; once you've narrowed down your palate's preferences, it's always easy to buy because the year is featured prominently on vintage Champagne bottles
— even above the wine type, brand name or any other decorative feature on the label.

Last but not least, the true Champagne connoisseur should eventually consider upgrading to an old vintage. At this stage, knowing exactly what you like "makes you understand the world of Champagne, and you will never go away," Losfelt promises.

Once you've conquered your own preferences with non-vintage, vintage and old vintage Champagnes, you'll be able to expertly play with your own food pairings — whether it's a special event or just firing up the grill with pals on a warm summer night.





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# **LONDON TRANSIT NEWS**

Civic Holiday, Monday, August 5, 2013

Buses will operate on a Sunday schedule on Monday, August 5, 2013 in observance of Civic Holiday.

Downtown Ticket Office will be closed on Monday, August 5. Regular service hours will resume on Tuesday, August 6, 2013.





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### **Falling head-on into the Canada Games**

Brett Gillis, 17, makes a splash at the Canada Games Aquatic Centre on Thursday. London is sending four talented divers to the Canada Games next week in Sherbrooke, Que. Joining Gillis will be Taylor Olanski, Brittany Haskell and Faith Zacharias. MIKE DONACHIE/METRO

# **Ever-civil St-Pierre** keeps enemy close

**UFC 167.** Welterweight champion says cordial relationship with Hendricks won't result in a boring brawl

There was no trash talk between UFC adversaries Georges St-Pierre and Johny Hendricks.

Instead, the two exchanged compliments as they held a public news conference before about 1,000 fans and onlookers in the mall on the ground floor of a Montreal of-



"If you look at people buying pay-perviews, I'm one of the highest in UFC."

**Georges St-Pierre,** in response to Johny Hendricks' insinuation that the Montreal native is a boring fighter. Hendricks' verbal jab was the only hint of trash talk on Thursday afternoon.

fice complex on Thursday.

The event was part of a five-city tour to promote UFC 167 in Las Vegas on Nov. 16, where the pleasantries will be left behind in place of trying to beat each other senseless as Montreal's St-Pierre defends his welterweight title against Oklahoma's Hendricks.

"Actually, he's a really

great guy," Hendricks said. "We have fun together whenever we're around, and that's what this sport's about.

"It's business, but we can be friends. That's what I enjoy. I can go have a beer with him. I can hang with him. But we have to fight and that's the way it goes."

The sweet talk was in

sharp contrast to St-Pierre's last title defence in March, which featured nasty pre-fight exchanges with opponent Nick Diaz and complaints that Diaz wasn't doing his share of the promotional work.

There was none of that with 29-year-old Hendricks.

"He's a gentleman and he represents the sport very ' St-Pierre said. "He's a good role model.

"But if we're nice to each other, it doesn't mean it's going to be a bad fight. It's going to be an even better fight. A style match-up. I'm looking forward to it."

#### CFL

#### CFLPA applying for judicial review in Williams case

The Chris Williams saga is heading to court.

On Thursday, the CFL Players' Association announced it's applying for a judicial review of an arbitrator's decision that the Hamilton Tiger-Cats receiver's contract was binding.

Williams, the CFL's top special-teams player in 2012, went to arbitration requesting to be released from the final year of his deal, reportedly so he could pursue NFL offers.

On June 5, an arbitrator ruled the Ticats violated the collective bargaining agreement by negotiating with an unregistered agent. However, the penalty for that was a fine and not the termination of the contract.

Williams hasn't reported to the Ticats this

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#### CFL

#### Als decide Hawkins can't hack it in MTL

The Dan Hawkins era lasted only five games in Montreal.



The Alouettes, who have struggled to a 2-3 record to start the season, announced Thursday that Haw-

kins has been fired.

Jim Popp will step in as head coach for the third time in his 18 years as general manager of the club.

The firing came during a bye week in the Alouettes' schedule. The team's next game is Aug. 8 against the Toronto Argonauts.

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#### NFL



"You immediately iump to the conclusion that he stiffed

a waiter or waitress. That's the part that bothers me."

New Orleans Saints quarterback Drew **Brees** says he's amazed his \$3 tip on a \$74 takeout order last month has become a talking point on national television and

# Golf. Simpson captures 1st-round lead at Firestone



So much for course know-

Webb Simpson, playing his first competitive round at Firestone Country Club, shot a 6-under 64 on Thursday to take a one-stroke lead at the Bridgestone Invitational in Akron, Ohio.

It all came down to trust. "Well, I knew it all through my caddie (Paul Tesori), who's been here so many years,"

Simpson said. "I just kind of had to listen to him."

Tesori has caddied for years on tour, for Vijay Singh and Jerry Kelly, in addition to being a pro himself.

"It's hard for us players to listen to our caddies, but he basically showed me where to go yesterday and told me where to hit it, where the lines were, what clubs to hit," said Simpson, the 2012 U.S.

Open champion. "I didn't feel like it was my first time because he has so much experience here."

Seven-time Bridgestone winner Tiger Woods did not have to rely so much on the man on his bag, Joe LaCava, while shooting a 66. Woods has 11 top-10 finishes in his 13 starts at the course, so he clearly knows where to go.

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# Training camp kicks off with a buzz



Steve Nash leads the guards during drills. The Canadian national basketball team started practising at the Air Canada Centre in Toronto on Thursday. Torstar News Services

#### Turning the corner.

**Emerging Canadian** and NBA talent points toward higher expectations on the world stage

They trickled into the gym one by one in the quiet of a Thursday morning, bringing with them different backgrounds, varied experiences and disparate expectations.

Some of them are barely more than kids starting a promising journey to fame and riches; some of them are relatively grizzled veterans seeking to improve the game they love in a country they

Young. Old. Established. Neophytes.

They all want the same thing as the job of restoring some lustre to Canada's international basketball reputation began in earnest at the Air Canada Centre practice gym, the Toronto trainingcamp base for the national

"To make Canada better," said Junior Cadougan. "To make a name for our coun-

It's Step 1 in a long jour-

ney.

The players arrived from abusicals to their pre-camp physicals to find 38-year-old two-time MVP Steve Nash putting an 11-year-old and a nine-yearold through some shooting drills before he moved on to more serious pursuits with a handful of young Canadian point guards.

Some arrived looking to establish themselves as integral parts of the future of a promising program; some arrived to make sure their legacy included helping Canada take its next step up the global ladder.

They are all in the weeklong initial training camp with one goal and it was an intriguing moment in the evolution of the program. It will be an interesting summer for the team, a summer of significance but also a sum-

"Now everyone sees and they want to follow and do the right thing."

Junior Cadougan, point guard

mer of transition.

"You see plenty of opportunities happening," said Cadougan, the Toronto native trying to play for the senior national team for the first time. "You see guys get-ting to the NBA, guys playing ball overseas and doing great, making a good name for Canada. Now everyone sees and they want to follow and do the right thing."

The program will eventually belong to the kids; to Anthony Bennett, to Kelly Olynyk, to Andrew Wiggins. But this year, when qualifying for the 2014 FIBA World Cup is of paramount importance, it is a summer when youth must meld with experience, when old must meet new. And teach it.

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#### Doping

#### **Canadian wins** bronze in shot put after disqualification of Belarusian

Canada's Dylan Armstrong has been awarded a bronze medal in men's shot put from the 2010 World Indoor Championships after the International Association of Athletics Federations annulled the results of Belarusian Andrei Mikhnevich.

Mikhnevich won silver at the event, but the IAAF issued him a lifetime ban when he was caught for a second career doping violation after renewed tests from the 2005 world championships in Helsinki found evidence of a banned substance.

The organization announced Thursday that Mikhnevich's results have been annulled from August 2005. As a result, Armstrong moved up from fourth to third with his throw of 21.39 metres.

"It was definitely a memorable championships," recalled Armstrong. "It was a really tough competition there." THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Give Armstrong his Tour titles back, says ex-cyclist

Lance Armstrong should have his seven Tour de France victories reinstated due to the prevalence of doping at the time, according to former cyclist Jan Ullrich.

Ullrich, who won the Tour in 1997, finished second to Armstrong on three occasions — in 2000, 2001 and 2003 — but the German declined to stake a claim for his former rival's stripped titles.

"I only want victories that I've experienced on the bike. I don't want to win anything at the green table," he said.

Armstrong, the dominant cyclist of his generation, acknowledged in January that he doped for all seven of his Tour wins from 1999 to 2005. He was subsequently stripped of the titles.

Ullrich admitted to Focus magazine in June that he received blood treatments from Spanish doctor Eufemiano

"But I'd said that already a thousand times. There was nothing new in that," said Ullrich, who was stripped of third place in the 2005 Tour and banned for two years by the Court of Arbitration for



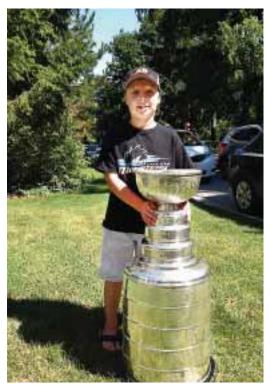
Sport in February last year.

Last month, a French inquiry uncovered proof Ullrich used EPO when he finished second to 1998 Tour champion Marco Pantani, who also used the banned blood-booster. Pantani died from a drug overdose in 2004. Ullrich was unapologetic when asked why he had not come clean about his doping past before.

"I decided differently," he said. "In hindsight, perhaps I would have done some things differently. But I am no god that can see everything and do everything right."

The 39-year-old Ullrich, who retired from racing in 2007, said he wanted to "firmly believe" that cycling is a now cleaner sport.

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### A Leaf less ordinary

Chase MacQueen-Spence, 8, of London, got to live the dream of touching the Stanley Cup on Thursday when former Chicago Blackhawks forward Dave Bolland brought it to the Forest City. Bolland, who played for the London Knights, signed with the Toronto Maple Leafs after winning the cup with Chicago last season. Bolland's stops in the Forest City included the Highland Country Club and Children's Hospital at London Health Sciences Centre, CONTRIBUTED

# See today's answers at metronews.ca/answers. BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN

### ↑ Aries

March 21 - April 20

Try to take things at a more reasonable pace. The more you relax and let life come to you, the more you will enjoy the day and the more likely it is love, in some form, will come your way.

#### **Taurus** April 21 - May 21

You have more in common with someone than you realize and what happens over the next 24 hours will prove it. Make an effort to get to know them and you will soon be firm friends — and maybe more.

#### II Gemini May 22 - June 21

What is right for you may not be right for someone else, so don't try to stop a loved one doing something you don't agree with. It takes all kinds to make a world — that's what makes it so interesting.

### **9** Cancer

June 22 - July 23

What friends and lovers are looking for from you is understanding. Can you give it to them? Open your ears and listen to their problems — then open your heart and do something about them.

# $\Omega$ Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23 Stand back from what you are doing and make sure you have not strayed away from your original intentions. A few minor adjustments now makes it less likely you will have to make major adjustments later on.

#### **M** Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

Today

Don't try too hard today. The planets suggest that the less you put in, the more you will get out. Why struggle when you don't have to?

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#### **△** Libra

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Sept. 24 - Oct. 23 With Venus, your ruler, moving

through the most sensitive area of your chart, you may not be able to express yourself as easily as usual but that does not mean you love less. Make sure loved ones know that.

### M Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Today's Venus-Mars link will endow you with so much passion you may have a hard time deciding how to put it all to good use. Do whatever takes your fancy. Just act.

#### **プ Sagittarius** Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

Focus on what gives you pleasure today rather than on what you think others expect. If you get the chance to mix business and pleasure, that's great but don't think you have to put money and career first.

### り Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

You can't put a foot wrong at the moment and today's Venus-Mars link will smooth your path more. Relationships are under great influences. Let the object of your affection know how in love you are.

#### Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

There is nothing you can't do, nothing that cannot be made to work. The only danger is that with so many options available you may spend more time thinking than acting. Choose a goal, then go for it.

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Feb. 20 - March 20 You're on the right wavelength

Showers

with partners and loved ones at the moment and that means all things are possible – if you work together. SALLY BROMPTON

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#### **Crossword: Canada Across and Down**

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Canada Post's rock stamps collection) 43. High-arc tennis shots

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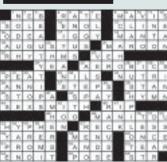
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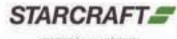


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